

District Judge James L. Robart

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

SEA SHEPHERD LEGAL,

Plaintiff,

v.

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND
ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION, *et*
al.,

Defendants.

Case No. C19-463 JLR

JOINT STATUS REPORT &
~~PROPOSED ORDER~~

Plaintiff SEA SHEPHERD LEGAL ("SSL") filed the above-captioned lawsuit under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") against Defendants NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION ("NOAA") and NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICES ("NMFS") seeking disclosure of certain documents. On May 28, 2019, the Court, entered a stipulated order requiring the parties to (1) continue working toward resolution of this matter without further judicial intervention and (2) submit a joint status report (JSR) within 60 days. Dkt. No. 8.

The parties submit this JSR to notify the Court that it has become apparent that a resolution is

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1 not feasible as to a number of issues, including those relating to the FOIA exemptions relied upon by
2 the defendants and the adequacy of the defendants' search for potentially responsive documents.

3 Accordingly, the parties will submit a joint briefing schedule to the Court by August 1, 2019.

4 **SO STIPULATED.**

5 Dated this 26th day of July 2019.

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated this 31st day of July 2019.


JAMES L. ROBART
United States District Judge